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#### STATE OF HAWAII

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Plaintiffs,

VS.

CHARLES W. TOTTO, individually and as **Executive Director and Legal Counsel of** the Honolulu Ethics Commission; LETHA A.S. DECAIRES, individually and as investigator for the Honolulu Ethics Commission; HONOLULU ETHICS COMMISSION; and THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Defendants.

CIVIL NO. 16-1-1166-6 GWBC (Non-Motor Vehicle Tort)

PLAINTIFFS KRISTINA KEALOHA, a minor child, by her next friend, KATHERINE E. KEALOHA MORE **DEFINITE STATEMENT AGAINST DEFENDANT CHARLES W. TOTTO: CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 

## PLAINTIFFS KRISTINA KEALOHA, a minor child, by her next friend, KATHERINE E. KEALOHA'S MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT AGAINST DEFENDANT CHARLES W. TOTTO

The claims against defendant Totto are for:

- 1. Wrongful investigation/negligence
- Interference with contractual relations/prospective economic advantage
- 3. Intentional infliction of emotional distress.
- 4. Negligence infliction of emotional distress
- 5. Defamation

### WRONGFUL INVESTIGATION/NEGLIGENCE

The elements of a cause of action founded on negligence are: 1. A duty or obligation, recognized by the law, requiring the defendant to conform to a certain standard of conduct, for the protection of others against unreasonable risks; 2. A failure on the defendant's part to conform to the standard required: a breach of the duty; 3. A reasonably close causal connection between the conduct and the resulting injury and; 4. Actual loss or damage resulting to the interests of another. *Tseu ex rel. Hobbs v. Jeyte*, 88 Haw. 85, 962 P.2d 344 (1998).

Paragraphs pertaining to duty: 8, 11, 13, 27, 34

Paragraphs pertaining to breach of duty: 50(c, e), 99(a, m) 106

Paragraphs pertaining to proximate cause and damage: 106, 107, 126, 127, 128,

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# INTERFERENCE WITH PROSPECTIVE BUSINESS ADVANTAGE

The elements of the tort of intentional interference with prospective business advantage are: (1) the existence of a valid business relationship or a prospective advantage or expectancy sufficiently definite, specific, and capable of acceptance in the sense that there is a reasonable probability of it maturing into a future economic benefit to the plaintiff; (2) knowledge of the relationship, advantage, or expectancy by the defendant; (3) a purposeful intent to interfere with the relationship, advantage, or expectancy; (4) legal causation between the act of interference and the impairment of the relationship, advantage, or expectancy; and (5) actual damages. *Minton v. Quintal*, 131 Haw. 167, 317 P.3d 1 (2013).

Paragraphs as to existence of the business relationship: 126

Paragraphs as to knowledge of the defendant: 126,

Paragraphs as to intent to interfere: 106, 107

Paragraphs as to causation and damages: 126, 127, 129.

#### **INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS:**

The elements of the tort of intentional infliction of emotional distress are that: (1) the act allegedly causing the harm was intentional or reckless; (2) the act was outrageous; and (3) the act caused (4) extreme emotional distress to another. *Hac v. Univ. of Hawai'i*, 102 Haw. 92, 73 P.3d 46 (2003)

Paragraphs as to reckless/intentional conduct: 8, 11, 52-66, 67-70, 78-79, 101 (e, g, h), 105

Paragraphs as to outrageous conduct: 8, 9, 11, 42-48, 52-66, 67-70, 78-79, 80, 97-98, 99, 100, 101 (e, g, h), 105, 106, 107

Paragraphs as to emotional distress: 106-107, 119-121, 128, 129.

### **NEGLIGENT INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS:**

The elements of a negligent infliction of emotional distress claim consist of: (1) negligent conduct by the defendant; (2) plaintiff's suffered serious emotional distress; (3) defendant's negligent conduct was the legal cause of the serious emotional distress; and (4) physical injury to a person, property, or a mental illness. *Morioka v. Lee*, 134 Haw. 114, 334 P.3d 777 (Haw. App. 2014). But damages may be based solely upon serious emotional distress, even absent proof of a predicate physical injury. *Roes v. FHP, Inc.*, 91 Haw. 470, 985 P.2d 661, (Haw. 1999).

Paragraphs as to negligent conduct: 8, 11, 52-66, 67-70, 78-79, 101-104, 105

Paragraphs as to grossly negligent or reckless conduct: 9, 42-48, 49-51, 52-66, 80, 97-98, 99 (a-n), 100, 101, 106

Paragraphs as to emotional distress: 106-107, 119-121, 126, 127, 128, 129.

#### **DEFAMATION**

The four elements necessary to sustain a claim for defamation are: (1) a false and defamatory statement concerning another; (2) an unprivileged publication to a third party; (3) fault amounting at least to negligence on the part of the publisher (actual malice where the plaintiff is a public figure; and (4) either actionability of the statement irrespective of special harm or the existence of special harm caused by the publication.

Gonsalves v. Nissan Motor Corp. in Haw., 100 Haw. 149, 58 P.3d 1196 (Haw. 2002).

Paragraphs as to defamatory statements: 84, 99(a, h), 101, 128

Paragraphs as to publication: 80, 84, 101,

Paragraphs as to fault (including malice): 42-49, 52-66, 67-70, 78-79,

Paragraphs as to damages: 106, 107, 128, 129

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing was duly served on the following attorney(s) by hand delivering same or by placing the same in the United State mail, postage prepaid on this <a href="20th">20th</a> day of <a href="December">December</a> 2016:

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